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PENNSYLVANIA Northampton(48)

BETHLEHEM

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GEMAIN HAUS (PA-1142)

STRUCTURE

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provides
site plan

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62-66 W. Church St. Museum. Log, 93'-7"
(ten-bay front) x 32'-7", two stories with
double attic and exposed basement on W,
steep gable roof with kick at eave line, six
shed dormers on S slope (N and S slope orig-
inally had two rows of shed dormers), two
(E and W) chevron-patterned double doors on
B. Bumbaught, PA. German coat. # 144.
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S elevation approached by entrance porches, two parallel central hall plans. W section built 1741, E section finished by 1743 completing original concept; small frame addition at NW corner; irregular ashlar ell added on NE corner to connect structure to Bell House (PA-); covered with roughcast ca. 1800; clapboards applied 1868; restored 1965 for Moravian Museum. The oldest existing structure in Bethlehem and one of the largest log structures erected in this country, Gemein Haus was built as a community house for the newly founded Moravian settlement.

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Birthplace and house of Lewis David von Schweinitz, one of America's leading botanists. 10 sheets (1968, including site plans, plans, elevations, details); 4 ext photos (1969), 8 int. photos (1969). NHL (also located in NR Bethlehem Historic District).

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